# MINUTES BLOOMINGTON MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (MAC)

Tuesday, August 8, 2017 at 6:30 pm

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Israel Fuentes called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

#### 2. ROLL CALL OF MAC MEMBERS:

Israel Fuentes – Present
Gary Grossich – Present
Jackie Cox – Not Present

Larry Burgos – Present
Betty Gosney – Present
Eric Scott – Present

#### 3. DIGNITARIES IN ATTENDANCE:

Linda Gonzalez – Vice President, West Valley Water District Board of Directors. Greg Young – Director, West Valley Water District Board of Directors.

## 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of June 6, 2017 meeting were approved.

#### 5. STAFF REPORTS:

CHP - Not present.

**Sheriff's Department** – Sgt. Powers thanked the community for attending National Night Out. He reminded everyone that school is now in session and also no texting and driving. Sgt. Powers provided information regarding the Sheriff's new Safe Return Program – a public safety program designed to assist and locate persons with special needs.

**Special Districts** –Reese Troublefield thanked all for their input as it allows them to make the appropriate changes. He provided an update regarding the Kessler Park project and the Valley and Cedar landscape project. Reese thanked the Sheriff's department for assistance with addressing the homeless complaints at Ayala Park. He also announced that the REC Center would be moving from the Old Fire Station to the back building at Ayala Park.

**County Fire Department** – Battalion Chief Doug Nelson provided Fourth of July calls for service stats. He provided an update regarding a residential fire off Slover Ave that was related to an unpermitted trucking operation. Battalion Chief Nelson announced that the fire station will undergo remodeling of the kitchen and bathrooms.

Supervisor Gonzales' Office – Erika Willhite informed community that code enforcement reports have increased and encouraged reports by calling the department or using the SBCode App. She announced that the senior center will be going through security and cosmetic updates with a tentative completion date in late September. Erika is working with the Communications Director to update the email/social media blasts & distribution list and asked for all to provide their contact information and thanked all for providing their feedback.

# 6. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

**Interagency Council on Homelessness –** Kent Paxton, Homeless Policy Advisor for Supervisor Gonzales, provided an overview of homelessness issues, statistics and resources.

#### 7. DISCUSSION ITEM:

#### Old Business -

- Ad Hoc Committee Small Business Recognition
  - Recognition will be presented at the September meeting. Please continue to submit nominations for the next award, which will be in December. Please speak with Betty Gosney or Evelyn Duke if you are interested in nominating a business or person(s).
- Ad Hoc Committee Code Enforcement
  - Gary provided an update from Code Enforcement that they are continuing to work on illegal trucking, vendors, etc. They are working on a comprehensive plan to address these complaints and trying to get additional money and resources through a smart plan through development.
- Topics for Upcoming Agendas:
  - September West Valley Water District
  - September Special Districts, Reese Troublefield
  - TBD Earthquake Preparedness

#### New Business -

Israel Fuentes read a letter that was presented from the MAC to the CJUSD Board at their August 3,
 2017 meeting regarding their concerns related to unpermitted trucking facilities in the community.

# 8. COMMUNITY EVENTS:

San Bernardino Valley Riders Western Days Event will be on October 28th.

## 9. PUBLIC COMMENT:

**Dave Jayne –** Mr. Jayne expressed his frustration with illegal food vendors who are parking on streets and leaving trash. He encouraged the community to stop supporting the unpermitted businesses and start reporting them to Code Enforcement. Mr. Jayne thanked Special Districts for their hard work on the Arena and invited anyone who has horses to join their meeting, which is the last Monday of every month at Kessler Park.

**Ana Carlos** – Ms. Carlos is a Bloomington resident and shared her opposition to changing residential to industrial zoning.

**Erika Flores, Center for Community Action & Environmental Justice** – Ms. Flores expressed her opposition to high cube warehouses and industrial zoning near schools and residential areas within Bloomington.

**Sandra Orellana –** Ms. Orellana was seeking assistance with the illegal activities that have been occurring in the alley adjacent to her property at Green Acres Cemetery.

**Araceli Mendoza –** Ms. Mendoza expressed her concerns regarding illegal dumping, abandoned stolen vehicles, and suspicious activities at Green Acres Cemetery.

**Eduardo Perez**– Mr. Perez introduced himself to the community as a first time attendee and 6 year Bloomington resident. He shared his opposition to changing residential to industrial zoning.

#### 10. MAC MEMBER COMMENT:

**Betty Gosney** – Mrs. Gosney mentioned that residents have expressed that private developers have approached them about purchasing their property and wanted to inform the community residents are not required to sell their homes and that they are not at risk of eminent domain.

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**Israel Fuentes** – Mr. Fuentes thanked all for coming and providing their input. He reminded everyone that school is back in session and traffic is very heavy so to be safe when picking up students. Mr. Fuentes reminded everyone that the next MAC meeting is scheduled for September 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

**Gary Grossich** – Mr. Grossich mentioned a serious accident on Santa Ave between Cactus Ave and Spruce Ave and requested if Public Works could conduct a traffic study. He thanked all residents for coming to the meetings; and welcomed the new faces. The MAC appreciates everyone's input.

**Eric Scott –** Nothing to report.

**Jackie Cox –** Nothing to report.

### 11. ADJOURN MEETING:

Israel Fuentes adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

NEXT MEETING September 5, 2017 at 6:30pm